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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant: Gary Filice et al.) Examiner: Michael S. Chambers
Serial No.: 10/666,449) Group Art Unit: 3711
Filed: September 19, 2003) Confirmation No.: 8352
Title: Sports Equipment Handle) Atty Docket: EAST-003
with Cushion and Grip Ribs)

PETITION UNDER 37 CFR §1.136(a) and §1.17

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

A two month extension in the time for filing a response to the Office Action dated April 17, 2006, is respectfully requested. Enclosed is a check for the required fee of \$450.00 for a two month extension of time, as a large entity.

Please charge any additional fees concerning this extension request to our Deposit Account No. 15-0508.

Respectfully submitted,

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